

These minutes were corrected by the Park Board at its Meeting on December 17, 2012, as follows: Page 3, Item 5.1, Paragraph 4, First sentence be changed from “Mr. Campbell stated that workers comp fees have skyrocketed and asked whom is covered by LSA. ” to “Mr. Campbell responded to the statement by LSA that workers...”; and Page 6, Item 7.1, Paragraph 3, First sentence be changed from “there” to “their”, and, Page 3, Item 5.4, Paragraph 1, First sentence be changed from “Affiliate” to “affiliate”, and , Page 4, Item 5.5, Paragraph 2, First sentence be changed from “Superintendent Phippen then responded to Trustee Feldman, noting that the covers will be a minimum clearance of 7’ above grade will be provided for the dugout covers” to “Superintendent Phippen then responded to Trustee Feldman who asked a question about the dugout covers. Superintendent Phippen notes that the covers will be a minimum clearance of 7’ above grade will be provided for the dugout covers.”

APPROVED

MINUTES REGULAR PARK BOARD MEETING

October 15, 2012

Present: Ken Borgerding, Chairman
Lee Campbell
Kelly Dupont
Jamie Godshalk
Dan Hartman
Karen Feldman, Trustee Liaison
Jennifer Hughes, Director of Public Works
D. Scott Phippen, Streets/Parks Superintendent

Absent: Ted Heiser

Location: Village Hall, One Olde Half Day Road, Lincolnshire, Illinois 60069

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Borgerding called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

2.0 ROLL CALL

Director of Public Works Hughes called roll and determined a quorum was present.

3.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 3.1 A motion was made by Mr. Godshalk, seconded by Mr. Hartman, to approve the minutes from the September 12, 2012 Park Board Meeting. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

4.0 RESIDENT COMMENTS AND REQUESTS

- 4.1 None.

5.0 RECREATION

- 5.1 Reconsideration and Discussion of Lincolnshire Sports Association Request to Change Field Usage Fees (Lincolnshire Sports Association)

Chairman Borgerding requested that this item be placed on tonight's agenda.

Mr. Godshalk stated that he abstained the last time this item was considered. He reviewed the minutes and does not know that there is a demonstrated need. This item still weighs on him. LSA has donated to schools, which is commendable. Does the Village need to reduce fees so that LSA can give money to other programs?

Director Hughes stated that Mr. Heiser could not attend the meeting. He asked that his comments be read into the minutes:

"After reviewing the minutes from the September 12th meeting and seeing that the item of LSA fee structure is back up for discussion (5.1 under Recreation for the October 15th meeting) I would like to express my support for lowering the LSA fees from \$35.00 to "\$15.00 per participant for all sports except kickball, which should be \$10.00 per participant".

I think LSA provides an invaluable service to the Village. Youth sports/extra curricular activities are vital to the community and it's children. LSA is working hard to ensure a quality experience for our youth. A reduced fee structure would aide LSA in its mission to develop and improve current programs while maintaining a cost effective fee structure.

I vote to lower the LSA fee structure to \$15.00 and \$10.00 (kickball) per participant.

Thanks, Ted Heiser”

Trustee Feldman stated that she had the same questions as Mr. Godshalk so she spoke with Dave Keevins from LSA. She stated that LSA gave the money to the schools so that that LSA could utilize the facilities.

Mr. Hartman inquired as to the impact of the rate reduction on the Village in terms of overall revenue. Director Hughes stated that the revenue drop is approximately \$20,000 and is a small part of the total budget.

Michael Muth, Director of Baseball and Lincolnshire Sports Association Board member, stated that LSA is trying to enhance the foundation of LSA by investing in facilities. He admitted that some sports are losing money and that LSA has incurred costs related to a full-time employee. LSA believes that it has reached the threshold of what it can charge participants. It has made a donation toward field improvements at Daniel Wright Middle School and expects to utilize those fields in the future. LSA still need additional space for baseball.

Mr. Godshalk stated that LSA has done a laundry list of improvements and raised fees, but then also gave \$30,000 for the fields. Mr. Muth responded that LSA was not losing money until LSA added an employee, began hiring patched referees, and sustained increases in insurance costs. LSA is receiving private donations but is operationally losing money. Mr. Godshalk continued that the Park Board is being told different things. He would like to see the financial numbers. He said that LSA is saying that they still need fields due to the number of participating kids. Mr. Muth replied that he is insulted that he has to pay property taxes while the Village is asking for money. Mr. Godshalk answered that the Village is supporting LSA by providing nice fields. Mr. Muth wondered why LSA was being asked to pay for fields when persons utilizing the playgrounds and tennis courts are not asked to do so. Mr. Godshalk reminded everyone that the Village is looking at a number of enhancements to parks as requested by LSA.

Trustee Feldman inquired as to whether LSA is starting any new programs. Mr. Muth responded that LSA is considering starting new sports for girls including field hockey and lacrosse. He said that many communities outsource these programs.

Mr. Campbell stated that workers comp fees have skyrocketed and asked whom is covered by LSA. Mr. Muth answered that referees and professional coaches are covered. Mr. Campbell questioned whether LSA needs to cover workers comp for private contractors. Mr. Muth responded that LSA did have an issue with SMP a few years ago. He also noted that LSA does have an employee.

Trustee Feldman asked if the fees are evaluated every year. Director Hughes responded that they are.

The following motion was made by Mr. Borgerding and seconded by Ms. Dupont:

The Park Board recommends approval to the Village Board to reduce the fee for Lincolnshire Sports Association from \$35.00 to \$15.00 per participant for all sports except kickball, which should be \$10.00 per participant.

Chairman Borgerding called for a voice vote. Although the vote was not unanimous, in the opinion of the Chair, the motion carried.

5.2 Consideration and Discussion of Lincolnshire Sports Association Affiliate Agreement (Lincolnshire Sports Association)

Streets/Parks Superintendent Pippen updated the Park Board on this item. LSA, the Village Attorney, and Village staff members have been meeting to discuss the affiliate agreement. The agreement utilized by the Village with recreation contractors served as the template. Comments from all parties have been incorporated into the agreement. However, LSA just received an updated draft agreement this evening. Staff requested feedback from the Park Board on this matter so that the final version of the agreement may be drafted.

Chairman Borgerding stated that he is comfortable with the agreement so far but would like to see the final version before approving it.

Mr. Godshalk noted that in the past, the Village has wanted to know how many Lincolnshire participants are partaking of an affiliated program. He said that he didn't see any reference to this issue in the draft agreement. Director Hughes noted that on the Program Proposal Form, the affiliate needs to provide information on the benefits that Village of Lincolnshire residents will receive from the program.

As to the non-affiliate form, Mr. Godshalk inquired as to why LSA is mentioned. Superintendent Pippen stated that there are programs where LSA may not need a discount.

This matter will be brought back to the Park Board for approval in November.

6.0 **PARKS**

6.1 Consideration and Discussion of a Request from the Lincolnshire Community Association to Install Electrical Facilities at North Park in Support of Boo Bash (Lincolnshire Community Association)

Streets/Parks Superintendent Pippen introduced the item. Mr. Godshalk stated that he volunteers at Ryerson for Halloween hikes. He stated that the group does not use gas but a low tech light. Ms. DuPont stated that the main reason for the generators is special effects such as lightning, thunder, and fog. She doesn't know if there is another way to produce these effects. Bob Gregory, Lincolnshire Community Association President, stated that luminaries are great. The generators need to have insulation to dampen the sound. LCA assigns six people to make sure the leaves do not catch fire. Securing and maintaining the generators require the biggest labor effort. It is expensive to rent generators. LCA does not expect the Village to provide the electrical facilities for this year's event.

Ms. DuPont inquired as to whether the park shelter has electricity. Superintendent Pippen responded that electricity was never included in the plan due to the fireplace. Trustee Feldman asked if there as any other benefit to the Village to have electricity in the area requested by LCA to which Director Hughes replied "No." Mr. Godshalk asked if the power will be live all the time. Superintendent Pippen said that a transformer would need to be installed on a temporary basis to activate the power.

The following motion was made by Mr. Borgerding and seconded by Mr. Campbell:

The Park Board recommends approval to the Village Board that the Lincolnshire Community Association's request to install electrical facilities at North Park in support of Boo Bash be included in the 2013 Village Budget as discussed in statements made in a Public Meeting held on October 15, 2012, and subject to Staff's recommendations, as presented in Staff's memorandum dated October 11, 2012.

Ayes: Chairman Borgerding, Members Campbell, DuPont, Godshalk and Hartman; Nays: None

7.0 **OLD BUSINESS**

7.1 Update on the Request by the Lincolnshire Sports Association for Dugout Covers and Scoreboards at North Park (Village of Lincolnshire)

Streets/Parks Superintendent Pippen provided an update on this matter. He noted that the fields are not correctly identified on the illustrations contained in the packet. The illustration labeled “Fields 2 & 3” should be labeled “Fields 3 & 4” and the one labeled “Field 4” should be labeled “Field 2”.

Mr. Hartman inquired as to whether the scoreboards would have a mat finish as he is concerned about glare. Superintendent Pippen stated that the scoreboards are illustrated as being white in color but that the material can be painted. Mr. Hartman noted that the “Visitor” line should be located above “Home.”

Mr. Borgerding asked if the locations of the scoreboards in the illustrations are correct. Superintendent Pippen responded that he met with the designer to locate the scoreboards, and that although the exact location will be determined in the field; the illustrations are representative of the locations. Michael Muth, Lincolnshire Sports Association representative, stated that the scoreboard on Field 1 is away from the field and that the depth is not shown well on the illustration. He stated that the scoreboards could be painted green and yellow, consistent with the temporary scoreboard, but that this color scheme might cut down on the availability for a logo. He stated his preference for a green background for baseball to reduce glare.

Trustee Feldman wanted to know if the scoreboards would be illuminated to which Superintendent Pippen responded, “No.” Mr. Borgerding thinks the scoreboards are great.

Superintendent Pippen then responded to Trustee Feldman, noting that the covers will be a minimum clearance of 7’ above grade will be provided for the dugout covers. He stated that the cross members are 9” on center, which should hold up to teenagers climbing on the structure.

7.2 Mr. Godshalk stated that the Village held a meeting about Community Gardens on October 4, 2012. Director of Public Works Hughes stated that Staff received great input and will process additional information before bringing this back to the Park Board.

7.3 Mr. Godshalk requested an update on the Park Board’s recommendation to purchase

the property located at the intersection of Lincolnshire Drive and Londonderry Lane. Director of Public Works Hughes replied that the Village Board reached a unanimous conclusion that it is not interested in pursuing the property.

8.0 NEW BUSINESS

8.1 None.

9.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION

9.1 None.

10.0 ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Borgerding, seconded by Mr. Hartman, to adjourn the meeting.

The motion was accepted by unanimous voice vote. Chairman Borgerding declared the meeting adjourned at 8:24 P.M.
